Multi-Agency Crime Blitz Results in Mass Arrests — North Wilmington, Claymont

North Wilmington/Claymont — A multi-agency operation conducted on Thursday, November 21, 2019, at targeted locations in the North Wilmington and Claymont area has resulted in the arrests of 41 individuals on criminal charges.

The crime blitz focused on the Philadelphia Pike, Governor Printz Blvd, Lancaster Avenue, and Lea Blvd corridors as well as the greater Claymont vicinity. The operation was conducted in these areas to target criminal activity and to address ongoing quality of life issues.

During the eight-hour enforcement blitz, police arrested 41 individuals for either a criminal charge or outstanding capias resulting in the clearance of 50 active warrants. There were a total of 141 traffic and 41 criminal arrests made, as well as two DUI arrests during the crime initiative.

This initiative was a collaborative effort between the Delaware State Police, Wilmington Police Department, Newport Police Department, Newark Police Department, Delaware City Police Department, Probation and Parole, Department of Corrections, and Justice of the Peace Court 11.

Seized during the operation were 2 firearms, .273 grams of Heroin (39 baggies), 95 Schedule II Pills, \$529.00 USC, 46.07 grams of Marijuana, 32.92 grams of Cocaine, .5 grams of Methamphetamine, and drug paraphernalia.

There were several noteworthy investigations. For example, Troopers observed a hand to hand transaction at the Knights Inn located at 7811 Governor Printz Boulevard between two individuals. A traffic stop was conducted on one of the

involved parties who was found to be in possession of 9 grams of cocaine. Troopers returned to the motel and made contact with the second subject who was also in possession of 2 grams of cocaine. A search of the subject's motel room resulted in the recovery of a .38 caliber firearm along with 43 rounds of ammunition. Another motor vehicle stop was conducted for a traffic violation which resulted in the apprehension of a subject wanted for Robbery 1st by the New York City Police Department.

This combined effort highlights how the cooperation of multiple law enforcement agencies combat crime which in turn increases quality of life for the communities we serve.

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